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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above identified application, please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application claims priority under 35 USC § 119(e)(1) of provisional application Serial No. 60/238,947, filed October 10, 2000.--

Should the Examiner have any comments or suggestions concerning this application, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including

extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

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